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The way to build up Dallas is to put
it on a solid basis.



NEEDED LEGISLATION.

The cheering news comes from Portland that the business men of that city are again preparing to lead a movement for needed insurance legislation in this state. It is reported that some of the largest firms in the metropolis are now bestirring themselves and making plans for changes in existing insurance laws which will work for the general good and convenience of the people. Plans are being laid to secure a law that will be fair and equitable to insurance companies and property-owners alike, and a bill covering the desired changes will be presented to the next legislature early in the session. The promoters are confident that the legislature will come to the relief of the people and that the old statutes now governing conditions in the state will be amended or repealed.

It will be remembered that a similar request was made by the business men of Portland two years ago, but at that time no relief was granted by the lawmakers. Conditions have changed greatly in two years, however, and public sentiment in favor of a better insurance law, influenced largely by the results of the San Francisco disaster, has grown so strong that the legislature will hardly care to disregard it. Events of the last few months have brought the people of Oregon to a realization of the fact that a better insurance law is vitally necessary to the business interests of the state.

In connection with the changes that are being planned, it is probable that the repeal of the law requiring insurance companies to deposit \$50,000 before they can do business in the state will be asked. This law was doubtless intended as a protection to policy-holders, but experience has proved that it is of no value to them and that it operates to the advantage of the wealthy companies by keeping many smaller, but reliable, companies out of the field. While this "\$50,000 deposit" clause sounds well to the people, it is probable that not one policy-holder in a thousand has ever read it or knows what its provisions really are.

The writer will confess that he had never read this law until the failure of one of the companies in which he was carrying insurance had been announced. Failing to secure from the company the amount of unearned premium that was rightfully due him, and not being willing to accept the amount offered him by the company in settlement, he turned to this "\$50,000 deposit" law for protection. After obtaining competent legal advice and corresponding with the state officers concerning his claim, he found that it would cost more to recover under this law than the total amount of money due him. A careful examination of the law showed that it was of little protective benefit and that it could not have been made more favorable to the insurance companies had they written it themselves. The experience of the writer has probably been the experience of hundreds of other policy-holders in Oregon since the San Francisco disaster.

What is needed is a law that will give all insurance companies an equal show to do business in this state, such a law has been adopted in New York, New Jersey and other eastern states, and setting forth the form under which insurance shall be written. The state should also reserve the right to prevent combinations and control rates. Such a law is badly needed, and it is hoped that the legislature will give the law proposed by the Portland business men its most earnest and thoughtful consideration.

Hood River apple growers have been greatly stirred up by the recent claims made for the Willamette Valley as an apple-producing section, and several of them have announced their intention of attending the Dallas show today and tomorrow to see for themselves what Polk county can produce. The Observer ventures the opinion that their fond belief that Hood River valley is the only spot in Oregon adapted to successful apple raising will be considerably shaken after they have viewed the exhibit.

BIG DEAL IS CLOSED

Johnson Lumber Company Sells
Sawmill and Timber Holdings to
L. Gerlinger and Associates.

The sawmill and entire holdings of the Johnson Lumber Company, of this city, were sold Wednesday to H. L. Pittcock, F. W. Leadbetter, L. Gerlinger, Charles K. Spaulding and B. C. Miles, who are associated together in many other mill, timber and railroad properties. The Johnson holdings include the Dallas mill, logging camps, dams and 175,000,000 feet of standing timber. The price paid for the property was about \$135,000.

In addition to the Johnson timber, these gentlemen have also purchased 2250 acres of the Hallock tract and the Hardy Holman claim of 160 acres, making their total holdings something over 5000 acres along the LaCreole river west of Dallas.

The new company will be known as the Dallas Lumber Company, and will be entirely separate and apart from the Willamette Valley Lumber Company, although some of those gentlemen hold a large amount of stock in the latter concern. A meeting of the stockholders will be held in Portland today to incorporate the Dallas Lumber Company, which will organize with a capital stock of \$160,000.

The deal by which the Johnson properties changed hands was promoted by J. G. VanOrsdel, the well-known capitalist and timber dealer of this city. The transfer will be of great importance to Dallas, as the mill will be operated steadily hereafter instead of only six months in the year. The new company will extend the railroad spur across the millpond, and logs will be supplied from Falls City by rail during the summer months when the river is too low for successful driving.

The Johnson Lumber Company desires to consolidate its vast lumber interests, and therein is found the only reason for selling the Dallas mill. The company owns and operates a mill in Minneapolis and 26 retail yards in the Middle States. Manager George E. Johnson will probably go to Minneapolis headquarters to assist in superintending the company's eastern business.

QUIET HOME WEDDING

Walter M. Bevens Leads Miss Vora Vanskike to the Altar.

A quiet home wedding was celebrated at the home of the bride's mother when Miss Vora Vanskike was united in marriage to Mr. Walter M. Bevens.

Sunday afternoon at 4:30 the immediate relatives of the bride assembled in the home parlors, which were tastefully decorated with plants and flowers and the Rev. D. Julian Becker spoke the words which made them man and wife.

After the ceremony a dainty wedding supper was served to those present and the young people received their congratulations. The bride was gown in turquoise voile, and carried a bouquet of bride's roses.

The young lady has resided in Dallas for some time and is well and favorably known, having a host of friends. The groom is a sawyer in the Willamette Valley Lumber Co.'s mill and is a favorite among those who know him.

HENRY WALLER DEAD

Well-Known Independence Citizen Succumbs to Attack of Catarrh of Stomach.

Henry D. Waller died at his home in Independence late Thursday afternoon, of catarrh of the stomach. Mr. Waller had been in poor health for several months, but was only confined to the house a few days, and to his bed one day previous to his death.

Henry D. Waller was born at Eola, Polk County, Oregon, December 12, 1857. He spent most of his life in Polk County, mostly in Independence. Several years ago, during the rush to the Klondike country, he was one of a crowd that went from Polk county. He also conducted a shoe store in Independence and had held positions in the stores there for many years.

He left a father and stepmother, living in Monmouth; a brother, in Idaho, besides a winow and step-daughter, the latter being at Tillamook at the present time, teaching school.

CORSEY-CRESSY WEDDING

Talented Newspaper Woman Becomes
Bride of Dallas Business
Man.

Mr. J. W. Corsey, who recently purchased the Cottage Hotel in Dallas, was wedded to Miss Mabel Cressy, of Independence, at Vancouver, Wash., last Saturday. They returned to Independence, Monday, and are now residents of Dallas.

Mr. Corsey has been engaged in mining in Alaska for several years and owns a number of promising undeveloped claims in that country. He comes to Dallas well recommended as a wideawake business man. His bride is a daughter of the late Warren Cressy and is a young woman of exceptional talents and accomplishments. For many years she has been engaged in newspaper work in the office of the Independence West Side, and her ability as a local news writer is generally recognized by the press of the state. Mr. and Mrs. Corsey begin their married life with the best wishes of many friends.

Legal blanks at this office.

The Farmer's Wife

Is very careful about her churn. She seals it thoroughly after using, and gives it a sun bath to sweeten it. She knows that if her churn is sour it will taint the butter that is made in it. The stomach is a churn. In the stomach and digestive processes which are almost exactly like the churning of butter. Is it not apparent then that if this stomach-churn is foul it makes foul all which is put into it?

The evil of a foul stomach is not alone the bad taste in the mouth and the foul breath caused by it, but the corruption of the pure current of blood and the dissemination of disease throughout the body. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery makes the sour and foul stomach sweet. It does for the stomach what the washing and sun bath do for the churn—absolutely removes every tainting or corrupting element. In this way it cures blotches, pimples, eruptions, scrofulous swellings, sores, or open eating ulcers and all humors or diseases arising from bad blood.

If you have bitter, nasty, foul taste in your mouth, coated tongue, foul breath, are weak and easily tired, feel depressed and despondent, have frequent headaches, dizzy attacks, gnawing or distress in stomach, constipated or irregular bowels, sour or bitter risings after eating and poor appetite, these symptoms, or any considerable number of them, indicate that you are suffering from biliousness, torpid or lazy liver with the usual accompanying indigestion, or dyspepsia and their attendant derangements.

The best agents known to medical science for the cure of the above symptoms and conditions, as stated by the writings of leading medical authorities, and of all the several schools of medical practice, have been skillfully and harmoniously combined in Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. That this is absolutely true will be readily proven to your satisfaction if you will mail a postal card request to Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., for a free copy of his booklet of extracts from the standard medical authorities, giving the names of all the ingredients entering into his world-famed medicines and showing what the most eminent medical men of the age say of them.

LOGS FOR NEWBERG MILL

Spaulding Mill Will Receive Supply
by Daily Train from Falls
City Camp.

The Spaulding sawmill at Newberg will hereafter receive a goodly portion of its log supply from the timber west of Falls City in Polk county. The logs will be hauled by the Dallas & Falls City Railroad over its own track to Dallas, and thence over the Southern Pacific track to Newberg.

The first train was sent down Tuesday morning, leaving Dallas at 5 o'clock and arriving at Newberg at 7:45. Only seven carloads of logs were taken on the first trip in order that the trainmen might be enabled to become acquainted with the new run. The train was in charge of Conductor F. H. Muscott, and the trip was made without delay or mishap.

The only difficulty encountered was at the mill in Newberg, where some trouble was experienced in unloading the logs. A practical test of the system provided by the mill company for conveying the logs from the cars to the boom in the river demonstrated the fact that a few minor changes will have to be made in the railway and chute before the transfer can be made quickly and economically. These defects are now being remedied and no further trouble is anticipated.

The railroad company will resume its regular daily run probably today or tomorrow, and the big timber of the Coast mountains will soon be rolling into the Newberg mill at a lively rate. Walter Dawson, a brakeman, has been promoted to the position of conductor on the Dallas and Falls City passenger train to fill the vacancy caused by the transfer of Mr. Muscott.

DEATH OF OLD SETTLER

William McD. Turner Passes Away
at His Home Near Lewisville,
Aged 71 Years.

In the death of William McD. Turner, Polk county loses one of its oldest and best known citizens. Mr. Turner departed this life at his home near Lewisville, Thursday, October 25, aged 70 years, 11 months and 6 days. His death was caused by a stroke of paralysis which he suffered while attending to his usual farm duties about two weeks ago.

Mr. Turner was a native of Missouri, and came to Oregon in an early day. He was known among his neighbors as a man of strict integrity and high moral worth. He had long been a faithful member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He left an aged wife, six sons and one daughter.

The funeral services were held at 10 o'clock Saturday morning and burial took place in the Smith cemetery near Lewisville.

GRANGERS HOLD MEETING

Listen to Good Talks and Enjoy a
Fine Dinner.

RICKREALL, Or., Oct. 31.—(To the Editor.)—Allow me a little space in your paper to tell of our Grange meeting, as all Grangers will be glad to know we are prospering. We met in open Grange at Oak Grove last Saturday and had a large attendance and a fine time. State Master A. T. Buxton, and A. F. Miller of Portland and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Edgar, of Dayton Grange were present.

We had a fine program of singing by the Misses Allen; reading by Isaac Robertson, Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Moore; talks by the Master and A. F. Miller, and a very instructive talk by State Master Buxton. The good women of the Grange had prepared a fine dinner for the occasion. Everybody enjoyed themselves to the utmost, and after dinner there were twelve baskets of fragments remaining. A call meeting of the order will be held November 10, at 7 p. m. It will be an open meeting, and all are invited.

GRANGER.

KILLED HIS COMPANION.

A 15-year-old boy named Seymour was killed by another boy named Bancroft in Falls City at 5 o'clock last evening. The two lads were playing with guns supposed by them to be empty when the accident occurred. Young Bancroft pointed his gun at Seymour and pulled the trigger. The weapon was discharged and the bullet entered Seymour's eye, killing him instantly.

F. E. Kersey has been appointed local agent for the Chicago Saturday Blade and Ledger. A free tune on the electric piano with each 5-cent copy hereafter sold on Saturday afternoon.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Dr. Hayter, Dentist. Office over Wilson's Drug Store, Dallas, Oregon.

Girl Wanted.

Girl wanted for general housework in family of two. Box 121, Dallas, Or.

Walnut Trees For Sale.

English walnut trees for sale. J. E. BEEZLEY, Dallas, Or.

Farm For Rent.

Good farm of 147 acres for rent. J. R. HUBBARD, Dallas, Or.

Registered Goats For Sale.

Thirteen registered nanny goats for sale. H. S. BUTZ, Dallas.

Money to Loan.

Loans at 6 per cent on First Mortgage Security. L. D. BROWN.

Girl Wanted.

Girl for light general housework. Good wages. Address Box 222, Dallas, Ore.

Oats Wanted.

Wanted, 500 bushels of oats. Quote price delivered at mill in Dallas. WILLAMETTE VALLEY LUMBER CO.

Angora Bucks For Sale.

Registered Angora Bucks for sale at farmers' prices. H. S. BUTZ, Dallas, Or.

Will Give Away Hedge.

Two strips of fine young hedge will be given to anyone who will dig it up. Apply at this office.

Rooms Wanted.

Wanted, by man and wife, two furnished and one unfurnished room for housekeeping; close in around depot. R. SCHMIDT, city.

For Sale.

Seven cows, will be fresh soon; also one U. S. separator and 40 acres of good hop land. C. A. RAMSEY, Bell phone 455, Dallas.

Horse Wanted.

Wanted, a large draft horse, 1400 pounds or over, gentle, 7 to 10 years old. WILLAMETTE VALLEY LUMBER CO., Dallas, Or.

Vetch Seed For Sale.

Clean vetch seed for sale cheap. Inquire at Dallas flouring mill or Phone Bell 458.

Fir Wood Wanted.

From 200 to 500 cords of dry fir wood wanted. Apply to Salem, Falls City & Western Railway Co.

Dry Slabwood For Sale.

The Willamette Valley Lumber Company has some fine dry slabwood for sale cheap; also 16-inch slabs and block wood.

House Wanted.

House with bath and modern conveniences, or party to build and lease for term of years. Address P. O. Box 222, Dallas, Ore.

Gasoline Wood Saw.

We have a gasoline wood-saw, and are prepared to saw all kinds of cordwood on short notice. REED & HAYES, Dallas, Or. Bell phone 333.

Help Wanted.

Flunkies for logging camp, \$25 per month and board; also girl to assist woman in cook house, \$25 per month and board. Apply to Willamette Valley Lumber Co., Dallas, Or.

Horses For Sale.

I have a good gentle 1100 lb work horse for sale; also good gentle mare will weigh about 1050; also unbroke 5-year-old gelding—broke to saddle. Will sell all at a bargain.

H. G. CAMPBELL.

Handle Blanks Wanted.

E. Hill has leased the Dallas handle factory and wants to contract for blanks delivered at the factory. He will furnish boiler and pay \$16 for pin blanks. In his absence, call on D. J. Switzer for particulars.

OUR FIRST INVITATION

WE respectfully invite all our customers who know they owe us to come in now and settle. We have had a fine year to make money and we all ought to be supplied with the cash and no excuses to offer.

ELLIS & KEYT

MAIN STREET,

DALLAS, OREGON

Our Parlor Lamps

Are just what you want for these dark evenings. The shades are new and the decorations are handsome. Prices are from

\$1.40 to \$10.00

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BEST GOODS!!

I carry a complete line at all times of Jewelry, Watches, Clocks and Libbey Glass. Every article is of high quality and best workmanship that the market affords.

C. H. MORRIS
Jeweler and Optician
Main Street, Dallas Oregon

M. OLIVE SMITH
teacher of
PIANO AND ORGAN
Studio, Room No. 2, Wilson Block
DALLAS OREGON

J. A. Lynch's
Barber Shop
on
Main Street

Will give you
First-Class Work
and
Nice Clean Baths



HOLLISTER'S
Rocky Mountain Tea Nuggets
A Pure Medicine for Every People.
Relieves Golden Health and Renewed Vigor.
A specific for Constipation, Indigestion, Liver and Kidney Troubles, Pimples, Eczema, Impure Blood, Bad Breath, Sluggish Bowels, Headache and Backache. It's Rocky Mountain Tea in tablet form, 35 cents a box. Genuine made by HOLLISTER DRUG COMPANY, Madison, Wis.
GOLDEN NUGGETS FOR SALLOW PEOPLE

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Successor to
F. A. Stiles
HARNESS, ROBES,
BLANKETS, WHIPS
Am prepared to furnish to the Dallas trade first-class goods in my line. Also the best of workmanship in all lines of Repairing.

PUBLIC SALE

On Nov. 7th, at my farm one mile east of Buell, Or. I will sell all my

Stock and Farming Implements, Household and Kitchen Furniture

One brood Mare and Colt, six months old.

Nine Milk Cows.

One Shorthorn Bull.

Fifteen head Stock Cattle.

Ninety-five head of Sheep, mostly ewes.

Seventy-five Goats, mostly all Nannies.

Three brood Sows, ten shoats, twelve pigs.

One Private Disc Plow.

Mowing Machine.

Rake; Two turning Plows.

One No. 7 U. S. Separator.

Hack, Wagon and Buggy.

One large Heating Stove.

one splendid Steel Range.

one large Cupboard, Tables, Chairs, Rockers, Bedsteads, Mattresses, Dishes, Etc.

S. C. MORRISON, Owner.

Sale to commence at 10 a. m.

Free Lunch.

Terms: \$10 or under cash.

over \$10, 9 months note at 10 per cent interest.

Sale Nov. 7th.

Dewitt's Little Early Risers

The famous little pills.

SPECIAL OFFER

The Willamette Valley Company offers to rewire premises of present electric consumers according to specifications of the Board of Fire Underwriters, at a cost to the consumer not to exceed \$1.25 per drop.

A better light will be secured and all danger from fire will be entirely eliminated.

With the completion of the new power plant a twenty-four hour service will be installed, thus allowing the citizens of Dallas to use electricity for POWER as well as light.

Electric Irons

will be introduced and they will be given to the consumer for 30 days trial, the consumer merely paying for the current consumed, and if satisfactory to buy the iron at end of 30 days.

Willamette Valley Company
C. B. RHODES, Manager for Dallas.

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